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Dear Kees --

I regret it has been so long since I have seen you.

This writing is a simple request. Do you recall having written a sardonic piece quite some yours ago about confusing the title of a publication in the Czech language with its author? It was something like U Plavici, but my memory is not good enough to retrieve a sufficient approximation to track it down.

The matter is of no great importance; I am just trying to add to the repertoire of examples that Merton has in his delightful book, "On the Shoulders • of Giants". (Attached is another example.)

If you can recall the example, or assure me that I am hallucinating about it, I would appreciate your jotting down the reference.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Laboratories for Molecular Medicine dedicated to the study of mental retardation

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